

There's little you can do if cold bug decides to bite

By Patti Gallagher

You can dress sensibly, keep your feet warm, go to bed early, take your vitamins and drink gallons of chicken soup but if the cold bug wants to bite, there is little you can do to stop it.

The bug has been biting at UNL with increased frequency since the first week in February, according to Dr. Garland Bare, University Health Center medical director.

Few colds were treated at the center before February, and Bare attributed this to the mild winter. Although more students have reported cold symptoms recently and some cases of strep throat, swollen glands or mononucleosis, Bare said no one illness is running rampant on campus.

"My impression is that we have seen fewer colds in the 1979-80 school year than in the 1978-79 school year," he said.

Because an accurate count of reported colds would require 24 to 36 hours of work to calculate, Bare said no statistics are available.

Doctor not needed

"Even though people don't need to see a doctor when



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they've got a cold," Bare said, many cold sufferers come to the Health Center.

Only a cold's symptoms can be treated, he said. Colds cannot be treated with antibiotics, Bare said.

His advice to the afflicted is nothing new. Rest, lots of fluids, aspirin and gargling should rid the body of cold-producing bacteria.

A frequent cause of winter colds is dry air, Bare said. In campus residence halls and Greek houses, living in a heated room without a humidifier can bring on a cold.

Although there is a national "epidemic" of the Singapore Flu or Influenza B, Bare said few cases have been reported at UNL. He said 700 Singapore Flu-related deaths have been reported nationally.

'Complicated cold'

Singapore Flu is a "complicated cold" with symptoms

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However, Sen. Ron Cope of Kearney said that perhaps the women's program may grow.

UNL's requested appropriation of \$619,135, plus 10 percent, would bring the figure to about \$680,000. The committee decided to place a top priority on \$655,000.

Also up for discussion was the proposed NU veterinary college.

Sen. Steve Fowler of Lincoln said that some money should be appropriated to evaluate the need for the school. Committee members questioned the need for a full-time dean when there is no college yet.

Kelly said that the veterinary college issue keeps coming back. Dworak said that to fund a dean would be the same thing as agreeing to build the veterinary college.

Kelly likened the veterinary college to the sandhill crane, saying it never goes away.

"If you pave the university 15 feet deep (in concrete), the vet school will come crawling back through a crack," Kelly said.

Of a \$161,000 request for new books at UNL libraries, the committee decided to place an appropriation of \$50,000 on the top priority list.

The original request from the university was for \$100,000 and the other \$61,000 was added to take care of rising book costs.

Sen. Jerome Warner of Waverly, committee chairman, said that perhaps the original request may be needed.

The university also requested a \$76,000 appropriation for record keeping of UNL graduates by the NU Alumni Association. This amount would be in

of body aches, moderate fever, congestion and cough which usually lasts about a week, Bare said.

Two years ago, Bare said, Influence A—often called Russian or Texas Flu—appeared in epidemic proportions on campus. The symptoms are similar to the B-type flu, but more severe, he said.

Two Ralston High School students died recently from a bacterial infection but are "not part of an epidemic," according to Bare.

They died from staphylococcal pneumonia, a bacteria which Bare said commonly inhabits the skin of two out of three people.

According to Monday's Lincoln Journal, health officials said the cases were caused by different subtypes of the bacteria and were unrelated.

addition to the \$65,000 which has already been appropriated.

The \$76,000 request was given a priority-two rating. A \$75,000 request for the College of Business Administration was given a priority of one, but Sen. Kelly objected.

"When we keep adding on to the budget we are going to have to deduct something else," he said, referring to the small number of cuts the committee made.

A \$250,000 request for new equipment purchases and nine additional graduate teaching assistants was also listed as priority one. The appropriation would be divided in half, giving \$125,000 to each area.

Other programs appropriations include:

Priority one items:

\$31,000 for IANR Curtis program; \$66,500 for additional Home Economics agents; \$50,620 for the Nebraska Business development center; \$35,881 for operating expenses of the physical education building at UNO; \$200,000 for a new administration building at UNO; \$65,987 for two additional faculty members in UNO's Business Administration program; \$32,993 for an additional faculty member in UNO's department of mathematics and computer science; \$450,000 in replacement of federal grants at the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

\$82,000 to improve the Curtis program in Agricultural marketing; \$41,000 for the college of pharmacy; \$8,000 for a medical center teaching awards; a 16 percent increase in the \$2.2 million medical center hospital operating costs and a \$50,000 request to upgrade the optometry program.

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The Folk Dancing Club will meet tonight in Mabel Lee Hall, Room 119.

The Friendship Force, a world-wide citizen exchange program, has scheduled a rally at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Holy Trinity Church, 60th and A streets. The rally will explain the July exchange program between Lincoln and a foreign city. For further information, write Friendship Force, NBC Center, 13th & O, Lincoln.

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